

STATE OF NEVADA

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION Bureau of Air Pollution Control

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 445B, the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445B, and the Clean Air Act, the Division of Environmental Protection is issuing the following notice.

The Administrator received an application for a Class I Air Quality Operating Permit from the following applicant:

Barrick Goldstrike Mines, Inc. BCE Place, Canada Trust Tower Suite 3700, 161 Bay Street, PO Box 212 Toronto, Ontario, M5J2S1

The project is the "Western 102 Power Project" located 15 miles east of Reno, Nevada in Storey County at the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center. This permit action is for the issuance of a new Class I Air Quality Operating Permit. The Administrator has prepared tentative determinations regarding the Operating Permit that, in brief, includes the following equipment:

- Fourteen, Wartsila Natural Gas reciprocating internal combustion engines that each turn a generator to create electrical power. Each engine/generator set develops approximately 8.2 MW for a total facility output of approximately 115 MW.
- Each engine has its own selective catalyst reduction (SCR) system for the reduction of nitrogen oxides and an oxidation catalyst system for the reduction of carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds and hazardous air pollutants.

On the basis of the preliminary review and the requirements of the NRS, the NAC, the Clean Air Act, a Nevada Ambient Air Quality Standards analysis and a Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Increment Analysis, the Administrator is hereby announcing his intent to issue a Class I Air Quality Operating Permit based on a review of the information, as proposed. A copy of the draft Operating Permit and the Director's Review is available for public inspection at:

Washoe County Library 301 S. Center Street Reno, NV 89501 (775) 327-8310 Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed permit action must submit their comments in writing either in person or by mail or fax within thirty (30) days to:

Rod A. Moore Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Air Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street; Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249 (775) 687-9338; (775) 687-6396 FAX

The application, draft permit, any comments received, and other relevant information may be viewed or copied at the above address or copies may be obtained by requesting in writing at the above address. Written comments will be received at the Division of Environmental Protection, at the address above, until the close of the comment period on October 30, 2006. Written comments and comments received during the public hearing will be retained and considered prior to the final action on the Class I Operating Permit.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know may be interested in this matter.